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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Summar *et al*

Group Art Unit: 1638

Serial No.: 10/785,375⁴

Examiner: Johannsen, D.

Filed: February 24, 2004

Docket No.: 1242/58

Confirmation No.: 1629

For: THERAPEUTIC METHODS EMPLOYING NITRIC OXIDE PRECURSORS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated September 25, 2006 (hereinafter "the Restriction/Election Requirement"), having a 1-month term for Response that expired on October 25, 2006. A Petition for a five-month extension of time is hereby requested, extending the period for response up to and including March 25, 2007. As March 25, 2007 is a Sunday, the deadline for response is automatically extended to March 26, 2007. A check is enclosed to cover the small entity extension fee. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendment, Elections, and Remarks.

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